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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANT: T. Sugitou, et al Confirmation No. 8394  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

The following is in response to the Office Action mailed August 18, 2004 in connection with the above-referenced application.

The Applicants believe that an extension of time is not required. The Applicants conditionally petition for an extension of time to provide for the possibility that such a petition has been inadvertently overlooked and is required. As provided below, charge Deposit Account **04-1105** for any required fee.

Please amend the application as follows:

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